

## GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & HUMAN SERVICES

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### EDUCATION

**Grant:** Greening STEM Integration Grants

**Purpose:** To fund teachers, afterschool programs, and nature organizations for projects that support the integration of Greening STEM into current or new programming or curriculum. The approach known as Greening STEM promotes the belief the natural world offers a compelling and universal context for investigations and applications of many STEM lessons. By learning about STEM concepts in reference to real-life environmental examples or issues, the subject matter is more tangible and extends beyond the textbook or classroom, influencing the way students think about the world and the way they view their connection to it.

**Funder:** National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF), with major funding support from the Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas

**Eligibility:** Educators who are leading the way in Greening STEM education and provide support for continued development and innovation of school programs and projects connecting STEM with environmental education

**Deadline:** April 5

**Amount:** \$500 - \$1,000

**Contact:** <https://www.neefusa.org/greening-stem-integration-grant-educators>

**Grant:** School Nurse Research Grant

**Purpose:** To support of research projects focused on school nurse impact on health disparities, students with chronic health conditions, and student safety; innovative models of school nursing practice; cost-benefit analysis of school nursing; or impact of school nurse activities related to social determinants of health on student well-being and education

**Funder:** National Association of School Nurses

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be a qualified school nurse and a member of NASN in good standing

**Deadline:** May 1

**Amount:** Up to \$5,000

**Contact:** <http://www.nasn.org/Research/NASNANFGrant>

**Grant:** K-12 Meteorological Projects

**Purpose:** To help teachers purchase scientific materials for the classroom, school, or community; launch new school or community science outreach and education programs; enhance or expand existing meteorology/science education programs; and/or attend accredited courses, workshops, or conferences related to meteorology that will significantly enhance their teaching activities

**Funder:** National Weather Association

**Eligibility:** Teachers, program directors, school district supervisors, and other individuals or groups proposing to improve the education of K-12 students in meteorology

**Deadline:** June 3

**Amount:** Up to \$750

**Contact:** <http://www.nwas.org/grants/solhirsch.php>

### YOUTH WELL-BEING

**Grant:** Community-Based Youth Violence Prevention

**Purpose:** To broker, coordinate, and provide relevant training and technical assistance to organizations representing various faith traditions and community-based organizations that are engaged with or seek to

engage with OJJDP's three youth violence prevention initiatives—Defending Childhood, National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention, and Community-Based Violence Prevention Program.

**Funder:** Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit and for-profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit and for-profit organizations) and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education)

**Deadline:** April 12

**Amount:** One cooperative agreement of as much as \$1.435 million for as long as 18 months, beginning October 1, 2016

**Contact:** <http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/FaithCBTTA.pdf>

**Grant:** Reproductive Health Programs

**Purpose:** To support programs for young women, particularly those who are disadvantaged by poverty, discrimination, geographic isolation, lack of specific sex education, hostile public policy, or other factors leading to inadequate reproductive health. Areas of interest include programs that include a comprehensive approach to sexual and reproductive health education; novel ideas, including innovative methods of delivering information; and programs that incorporate advocacy or policy change

**Funder:** Lalor Foundation

**Eligibility:** 501(c)(3) organizations

**Deadline:** Concept papers are due May 1

**Amount:** Up to \$50,000

**Contact:** [http://lalfound.org/?page\\_id=221](http://lalfound.org/?page_id=221)

**Grant:** Research to Understand Inequality

**Purpose:** To support research projects that increase understanding of programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality in youth outcomes. Because critical gaps exist between research, decision making, and youth outcomes, applications should increase understanding of the strategies that improve the use of research evidence in ways that benefit youth between the ages of 5 and 25.

**Funder:** William T. Grant Foundation

**Eligibility:** 501(c)(3) organizations

**Deadline:** May 5

**Amount:** Research grants about reducing inequality typically range between \$100,000 and \$600,000 and cover two to three years of support. Research grants about improving the use of research initiative will range between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000 and cover two to four years of support.

**Contact:** <http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants#apply-research-grants>

**Grant:** Innovation Grants

**Purpose:** To support innovative youth-serving organizations in the greater Boston, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C., areas. Innovative services funded in the past include an incentivized youth savings program; an intensive weekend tutoring program for at-risk students; a book club for incarcerated youth; a neighborhood tour guide program; a yoga program that works with the entire school community to create a less stressful and more mindful learning environment; an afterschool civic engagement program in Spanish; and a program that provides underperforming high school students with a family of committed volunteers and increased access to community resources.

**Funder:** Ruddle Memorial Youth Foundation

**Eligibility:** Organizations must be based in the U.S. and be tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; operate in the greater Boston, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Milwaukee, or Washington, D.C., metro area; and have annual revenues under \$1 million.

**Deadline:** Pre-applications are due April 29

**Amount:** \$5,000 - \$25,000

**Contact:** [https://www.rmyf.org/content.cfm?u=are\\_they\\_for\\_you](https://www.rmyf.org/content.cfm?u=are_they_for_you)

**Grant:** Information Campaigns

**Purpose:** To award one-year grants in support of the dissemination of information about new and innovative programs designed to benefit youth, or for information already possessed by well-established organizations. Projects must have the potential to help American children in a large geographic area (i.e., more than one state).

**Funder:** American Legion Child Welfare Foundation

**Eligibility:** 501(c)(3) organizations

**Deadline:** July 15

**Amount:** Grant amounts will be determined on a project-by-project basis.

**Contact:** <http://www.cwf-inc.org/grantseekers/overview>

## COMMUNITY

**Grant:** Hunger Free Grants

**Purpose:** To address the issue of food hardship in Alexandria as described in the report [\*Toward an End to Hunger in Alexandria\*](#)

**Funder:** The Hunger Free Alexandria Fund, a component fund of ACT for Alexandria

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be a 501(c)(3) organization or partner with a 501(c)(3) organization

**Deadline:** March 15

**Amount:** \$500 - \$2,500

**Contact:** <https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=145409195694>

**Grant:** Knight News Challenge

**Purpose:** To uncover new ways to extend and strengthen the role of libraries as essential spaces for people to learn, acquire information, and exchange ideas and perspectives

**Funder:** John S. and James L. Knight Foundation

**Eligibility:** The challenge is open to anyone, from public libraries to universities to businesses, nonprofits, and even individuals who have never innovated in the library space; applicants must be based in the United States.

**Deadline:** March 21

**Amount:** Winning projects have the chance to receive funding of approximately \$35,000 to \$500,000 over a period of six months to two years.

**Contact:** <http://www.knightfoundation.org/press-room/press-release/knight-news-challenge-seeks-ideas-for-libraries/>

**Grant:** Breast Reconstruction Surgery Public Awareness Grants

**Purpose:** To support organizations that focus on increasing breast reconstruction surgery awareness and education for women and their family members. Grants will be awarded to support the development and implementation of projects and programs designed to help raise awareness of breast reconstruction surgery options.

**Funder:** Plastic Surgery Foundation

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be U.S.-based, tax-exempt, public 501(c)(3) organizations with a commitment to increasing the awareness of breast reconstruction surgery.

**Deadline:** March 24

**Amount:** Up to \$10,000

**Contact:** <http://www.theptsf.org/humanitarian/breast-reconstruction-awareness-fund/public-awareness-grants.htm>

**Grant:** Smart Prosecution Initiative

**Purpose:** To test data-driven approaches that address one or more of three goals: promoting fair, impartial, and expeditious pursuit of justice; ensuring safe communities; and promoting integrity in the prosecution profession and effective coordination in the criminal justice system. Smart Prosecution applicants will identify

a problem to be addressed and enlist an independent research partner to help evaluate the effectiveness of their Smart Prosecution effort.

**Funder:** Bureau of Justice Assistance

**Eligibility:** State, local, and tribal prosecutor agencies or a government agency or nonprofit organization as fiscal agent for the applicant

**Deadline:** March 28

**Amount:** Up to four awards of up to \$400,000 each for an estimated total of \$1.6 million for a 24-month project period, beginning on October 1, 2016

**Contact:** <https://www.bja.gov/funding/smartprosecution16.pdf>

**Grant:** Technology Accelerator Program

**Purpose:** To support product-driven nonprofits that are looking to leverage open source software, always connected mobile devices, open APIs, and inexpensive variable cost web infrastructure to solve education, environmental, health, and human rights challenges. Fast Forward then provides financial and human capital to help scale these solutions and maximize their impact.

**Funder:** Fast Forward

**Eligibility:** Nonprofits working to leverage technology to address problems in arts/culture, education, environment, food/agriculture, health/healthcare, human rights, poverty alleviation/economic development, or public service/civic engagement

**Deadline:** April 1

**Amount:** A \$25,000 grant, thirteen weeks of summer training in San Francisco, and connections to mentors

**Contact:** <http://www.ffwd.org/programs/accelerator/>

**Grant:** Adaptive Sports

**Purpose:** To award grants for the purchase of adaptive sports equipment for recreational or competition purposes, with preference given to applicants with financial limitations who demonstrate a desire to achieve an active lifestyle

**Funder:** Kelly Brush Foundation

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be living in the United States and provide information about their spinal cord injury, details about their source(s) of income, and a description of the type of equipment they seek to purchase.

**Deadline:** April 1

**Amount:** Funds must support the purchase of sport and recreational equipment from the common (handcycles, monoskis, sport chairs, etc.) to the less typical (scuba equipment, bowling ramps, equestrian saddles, etc.)

**Contact:** <http://kellybrushfoundation.org/grants-programs/adaptive-sports-equipment/>

**Grant:** African-American Forestland Ownership Program

**Purpose:** To stabilize African American forestland ownership across generations and enhance family wealth by increasing income and land asset value through sustainable forestry. Through the Sustainable Forestry and African American Land Retention Program, more than \$4 million will be invested in organizations that support forest owners in rural areas of Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, western Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia with significant African-American populations. The program aims to improve forest management by connecting African American landowners to organized networks of forestry support, including federal and state government programs, businesses, and nonprofit conservation, legal, and community development organizations. It also supports landowners looking to resolve and prevent problems of insecure land tenure caused by heirs' property and inadequate estate planning.

**Funder:** U.S. Endowment for Forestry and Communities, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service and Forest Service

**Eligibility:** Lead organizations working with networks of public and private organizations that support forest owners in multi-county regions with significant African American populations in rural Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, western Tennessee, Texas and Virginia

**Deadline:** April 4

**Amount:** Up to \$490,000 over three years will be awarded to lead organizations responsible for implementing the program. Matching funds of 25% are required over the course of the grant.

**Contact:** <http://www.usendowment.org/forestlandretention.html>

**Grant:** Interdisciplinary Research Leaders Program

**Purpose:** To support teams of researchers and community members who are committed to working together to produce community-relevant, action-oriented research aimed at improving health and well-being. The broad goal of the program is to produce diverse interdisciplinary leaders who conduct and apply high-quality, community-engaged, action-oriented, equity-focused, health research in order to drive improvements in the health of communities. Accordingly, the program will recruit and select a diverse cohort of mid-career researchers and community members to become program fellows. Each cohort of fellows will participate in a three-year program. During that time, fellows will receive leadership training, the opportunity for cutting-edge research method exploration, mentoring, networking opportunities, and fellowship and research funds so that they may better effect change and become the next generation of leaders in population health and health equity research.

**Funder:** Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

**Eligibility:** Applicants must apply as a team. Each team must be comprised of three individuals, including two researchers and one community partner. Researchers are people with a terminal degree in their field (e.g., Ph.D.) or extensive research or evaluation experience. Researchers from diverse disciplinary and demographic backgrounds are encouraged to apply. The IRL program especially encourages researchers from fields that traditionally do not study health, or researchers who do not have prior direct experience in health research, to apply. Community partners are defined as individuals with close ties to a community of interest. These partner individuals must have the potential to take action on the issue themselves or have relationships with entities that can take action.

**Deadline:** April 19; an informational webinar for prospective applicants will be held on March 16, from 3 - 4 p.m.

**Amount:** Up to \$350,000

**Contact:** <http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2016/interdisciplinary-research-leaders.html>